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KAZAKH INDUSTRY INCREASES;  
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KAZAKH ENTERPRISES PROGRESS IN PRE-MAY COMPETITION -- Kazakhstanskaya Pravda,  
No 63, 1 Apr 49

Kazakh enterprises have been making outstanding achievements in pre-May competitions. The Balkhash Nonferrous Rolled Metals Plant exceeded the 3-month plan. Miners of the "Leninugol" Trust and Mines No 44/45 and 54 of the "Kara-gandaulg" Combine have mined many tons of coal above plan. Zyryanovsk mines and the Leninogorsk Lead Plant have speeded production in March. Among the many Kazakh enterprises which exceeded the first-quarter plan are the Petro-pavlovsk Chrome Plant, the Semipalatinsk Sewing Factory imeni Volodarskiy, the Georgiyevka New Bast Fiber Plant, and others. Karaganda Mine No 50/52 has already released 200,000 rubles of working capital to the State, and the Ust'-Kamenogorsk Zinc Plant has increased output per ruble of working capital. The "Bol'shevichka-Uralny" Factory in Semipalatinsk has taken many valuable steps to improve production economy.

Not all enterprises in the Republic have maintained continuous fulfillment of production plans. Among the lagging enterprises are the Karakapay Copper-Smelting Plant, the Dzherkargan Mines, the "Kazmetallurgstroy" (Kazakh Construction of Metallurgical Enterprises), many mines in Karaganda, and the meat and dairy industry. Enterprises of the Ministry of the Light Industry, including the Semipalatinsk and Kyzyl-Orda Shoe Factories, and the Kustanay "Bol'shevichka" Sewing Factory failed to produce a large volume of goods planned for the first quarter.

VOSTOCHNO-KAZAKHSTAN INDUSTRI PROGRESSORS -- Bol'shevik Altaya, No 37, 25 Feb 49

Industry constitutes 67 percent of the economy of Vostochno-Kazakhstan Oblast. Production output by State and cooperative enterprises in 1948 increased 34 percent over 1940, smelting of black copper increased 22.5 percent, and production of lead has increased 23 percent. The Belousvka Mine is now mining twice as much ore as in prewar years.

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Cooperative and local industry and the timber industry of the oblast have doubled since 1940. The oblast's timber industry provides more than one half of the construction material for the Kazakh SSR. Butter and cheese plants produced 10 percent more in 1948 than in 1949.

Freight turnover on railroad and water transport facilities has more than doubled since 1940.

Electric power facilities in the oblast have also increased since 1940. Construction of the Tishinskaya Hydroelectric Power Plant is being completed, the Ust'-Kamenogorsk Steam-Electric Power Plant has been put into operation, and construction has begun on the Ust'-Kamenogorsk Hydroelectric Power Plant. There are now 44 kolkhoz electric power plants in the oblast, whereas there were none in 1940.

Bol'shevik Altaya, No 38, 27 Feb 49

Enterprises in Vostochno-Kazakhstan Oblast fulfilled the 2-month plan as follows in honor of the Fourth Congress KP (b) Kazakhstan which opened on 25 February: "Altayenergo" (Altay Power), 104 percent for production of electric power; "Ulmstroy" Construction Administration, 106 percent; Beresovka Mine Administration of the Irtysh Combine, 108 percent for mining and refining ore; Bukhtarminskiy Mine, 108 percent; Ust'-Kamenogorsk Zinc Plant, 120 percent; Kurohmskiy Mine, 124 percent; Katon-Karagay Timber Management, 124 percent for the autumn-winter season plan of logging and hauling; and Marynskiy Mine, 250 percent. The Zyryanovsk Mine Administration, the Belou vz. Mine Administration of the Irtysh Combine, and the Irtysh Copper-Smelting Plant also fulfilled their pledges. Basic construction work on the second section of the zinc plant has been completed.

The following Ust'-Kamenogorsk enterprises fulfilled the 2-month plan by 25 February: meat combine, 103 percent; industrial combine of "Obtorg" (Oblast Trade), 105 percent; cart and machinery plant, 107 percent; wood-finishing combine, 108 percent; and "Krasnyy Otkryabr" Artel, 121 percent. The bakery combine, second industrial combine, city communications, city wharves, printing house, and the City Power Administration fulfilled their pledges 100 percent.

CONSTRUCTION LAGS ON LARGE ALTAY PROJECTS -- Bol'shevik Altaya, No 34, 19 Feb 49

D. Kerimbayev, chairman of the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet Kazakh SSR, speaking at the Eighth Party Conference in Vostochno-Kazakhstan Oblast, reported on the economic development of the oblast. The Third Congress of the KP (b) Kazakhstan, acting in accord with the decree of the 18th Congress of the VKP (b) on the development of nonferrous metallurgy in Kazakhstan, particularly in Vostochno-Kazakhstan Oblast, in 1940 decreed the following measures: construct within the next 3 years in the Altay 6 new mines, 4 concentrating plants, 2 lead plants, 3 zinc plants, 2 heat and power plants and the Irtysh Hydroelectric Power Plant; complete reconstruction of the Leninogorsk combine, the Belousovsk and Zyryanovsk Mines and the Irtysh Copper-Smelting Plant.

Kerimbayev stated that the rate of construction in Vostochno-Kazakhstan Oblast is lagging far behind the general level of development of the national economy. Construction organizations in the oblast are still unsatisfactory in their work.

The largest construction organization in the oblast -- the "Altaystroy" (Altay Construction) Trust, directed by Aranovich -- has not been meeting its yearly plans, with the result that the plan for completion of the second

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unit of the zinc plant, the Tishinskaya GES, the "katreli" of the lead plant, the railroad siding to Deregovka, and housing construction in Leninogorsk and Ust'-Kamenogorsk in 1948 was disrupted. The basic cause for the lag in "Altaystroy" is the lack of preliminary organization of construction work, large turnover of manpower, and diffusion of construction materials and workers in various projects.

The construction of the Ust'-Kamenogorsk Hydroelectric Power Plant is progressing extremely slowly. The established plan for construction assembly work is continually underfulfilled, with the result that there is serious concern for the completion of the plant within the next 2 years.

The Soviet of Ministers USSR issued a special decree in 1949 calling for an increase in the volume of capital construction in the "Altaystroy" Trust and in construction of the Ust'-Kamenogorsk GES. The decree also provided for shipment of tremendous quantities of building materials and transport facilities to hasten the construction work. The Government has made Aranovich and Inyushin, director of the construction of the Ust'-Kamenogorsk GES, personally responsible for the unconditional and complete utilization of these facilities provided by the State and for completion of the 1949 construction program.

**TASHKUMYR NEEDS IMPROVEMENT** -- Sovetskaya Kirgiziya, No 61, 29 Mar 49

Development of natural resources in the Tashkumyr area, Kirgiz SSR, has been unsatisfactory. Exploitation of the rich coal deposits in the region is hampered by lack of machinery, lack of qualified engineers and technicians, and negligence on the part of municipal and oblast officials. In 1945 the plan for extraction of coal was only 83 percent of the 1941 plan. In 1944, 13.6 percent of the mining was done by machinery; in 1945, only 2.6 percent. In 1946, 1947, and 1948 no mining at all was done by machinery.

Valuable deposits of limestone, clay, and building stone have not been explored.

**FRUNZE WORKERS ACHIEVE NEW SUCCESSES** -- Sovetskaya Kirgiziya, No 65, 3 Apr 49

Komsomols and young workers of Frunze Oblast have achieved new successes in honor of the 11th VLENM Congress. The 1949 first-quarter plan was fulfilled ahead of schedule by 845 young workers in Frunze. One and a half million rubles' worth of above-plan production was put out. There was a saving of 11 tons of metal, 20,000 kilowatt-hours of electricity, 400 kilograms of lubricants, and 4,000 square decimeters of leather and other materials.

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